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In re Patent Application of)
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For: PROCESS FOR TREATING A SUBSTRATE)
WITH A PLASMA)

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF
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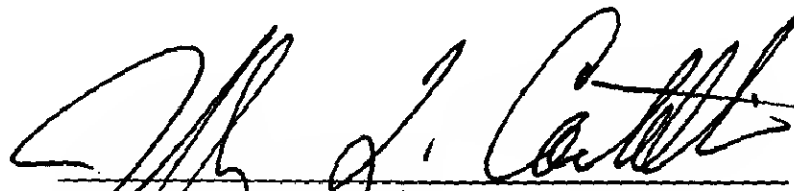
Sir:

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the Notice of Allowability and Issue Fee Due form mailed June 6, 2003, acknowledging the filing of an Information Disclosure Statement on March 17, 2003.

The Notice of Allowability did not, however, include an initialed Form PTO-1449 acknowledging the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 21, 2003. Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner evidence consideration of the references cited in the IDS of July 17, 2003 by providing a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449.

If a conference would be beneficial in expediting the prosecution of the instant application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to arrange such a conference.

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